

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 22-25 are pending in the application with prior claims 1-21 cancelled. This preliminary amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination which is filed after a Notice of Appeal (filed 12/19/2006) but prior to an Appeal Brief. The new claims distinguish over FIG. 6 of the Contreras reference in that the current sources are not equal so as to accomodate the quiescent bias current through the magnetoresistive head, plus all of the current passes through the pair of transistors.

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